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1. EMBASSY HAD KNOWN FROM START THAT NEIL YOUNG IS
CANADIAN NATIONAL. THIS ACCEPTABLE TO EMBASSY BECAUSE
MUSIC YOUNG PLAYS IS TOTALLY IDENTIFIABLE AS AMERICAN.
A NUMBER OF NON-AMERICAN PRINCIPAL DANCERS, SUCH AS KARIN
VON AROLDINGEN, JEAN-PIERRE BONNEFOUS AND PETER MARTINS,
PERFORMED HERE WITH NEW YORK CITY BALLET, AND THIS FACT
PRESENTED NO PROBLEM TO DEPT OR EMBASSY. THEREFORE DEPT
ASKED RECONSIDER YOUNG FOR SOVIET TOUR.

2. IF THIS NOT POSSIBLE, EMB WOULD HOPE DEPT CAN NOMINATE
ASAP TOP FLIGHT PRESTIGIOUS AMERICAN PAG IN SOFT ROCK GENRE OF
NO LESS A STATURE THAN NEIL YOUNG. EMB PREPARED COMMENT ON OTHER
STARS/GROUPS DEPT HAS UNDER CONSIDERATION. SEE REFTELS (C) AND
AND (D). ADVISE IMMEDIATE.
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